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This letter is in response to your request for an opinion concerning the Governmental Ethics Ordinance. You stated that you have been invited to participate in a conference on "Public Transportation A

conference will be sponsored by Co.

Section 26.2-4 (d) (iii) of the Governmental Ethics Ordinance allows City employees to accept

"reasonable hosting, including travel and expenses, . . . furnished in connection with public events, . related to official City business, if furnished by the sponsor of such public event."

Based on your letter and the materials provided by your office, the conference appears to be a public event concerning official City business. Accepting reasonable hosting expenses for the time the conference discusses official City business will not be a violation of the Governmental Ethics Ordinance. If you desire to remain at the location of the conference after the completion of business you must do so at your own expense.

Should you have any further questions on this matter do not hesitate to call me at 744-9660.

uly Yours,

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